

Basic Search Help Sheet

Creating a Basic Search

1. On the Basic Search Screen, enter your search terms in the Find field.



- Select the Source Types that you want. If you want to find results for all source types (Magazines, Newspapers, etc.), be sure they are all checked. If you want only specific source types, uncheck the sources that you don't want.
- 3. Use Limiters to narrow your search. For example,
 - Full Text limits search results to full text articles.
 - Lexile Reading Level limits search results to articles within a specific Lexile range.
- 4. Click the **Search** button. A Result List is displayed.



To view a specific source type (for example, only Magazines), click the image in the source type box.



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Additional Features



Search by Topic

- 1. If you'd like to search for articles on a certain topic, you can click on any of the buttons in the Search by Topic area. A list of subtopics appears on the right side of the screen
- 2. You can check any subtopics that you want, and enter search terms in the **Find** field.
- 3. Click the **Search** button. A Result List is displayed.

Top Searches

The most frequent searches are automatically displayed in the **Top Searches** area on the Student Research Center. To find articles about a top search, simply click the link and a list of articles appears.

Spotlight Topic

The **Spotlight Topic** area displays topics of interests to students and teachers. Our editors research current topics and link to articles related to the topic. We hope you find these topics interesting and informative.